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President Dancy resigns; Dowling takes over office

by KAY OWENS

Richard Dancy, SGA president resigned Nov. 12 at 3 p.m. because of "academic reasons," according to Pat Dowling, succeeding president.

Earlier this semester, Dancy replaced Billy Lyons as president and Randy Alley, past president prottempore, became the vice president. However, Alley resigned his position because of academic reasons and Dowling moved into the vice presidency.

DOWLING, sophomore, and Chris Smith, freshman, as vice president, will head the executive branch of the SGA next semester. Karen Henry, newly elected president prottempore is the first female to hold the office.

Dowling explained that he will be eligible to run for the presidency next year because he will have completed 45 academic hours and approaching his junior year. Chris Smith will not be able to run for the vice presidency because he will not possess SGA constitutional requirements.

Caddo Parish Coroner

Dr. Willis Butler donates files to archives

Dr. Willis P. Butler Sr. has recently resigned from the office of Caddo Parish Coroner and has agreed to turn his files over to the LSUS historical archives.

These files include not only all the coroner case records of Dr. Butler's 54 years of service, but also a collection of his personal papers dealing with his office tenure. Of particular importance are papers concerning the experimental drug program conducted by the coroner's office in the 1920's.

THE CORONER'S office not

only signs death certificates, but goes to court when a case involves medical testimony. He also signs the papers necessary to commit mental patients and carries out experimental drug and alcoholic programs.

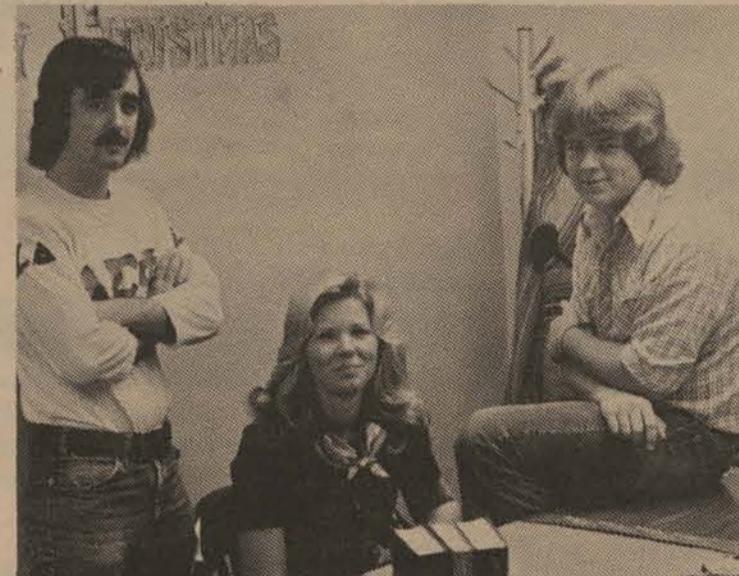
Dr. Butler was born in 1888 and graduated from the Vanderbilt University Medical School in 1911. He became Caddo Parish coroner in 1921. He resigned the office in 1973, only to return a year later to serve another two years. He has served as Pathological and Laboratory director at

the Alumni Association. Also, Mark Stephens is in charge of a petition to be signed by students concerning the construction of four traffic lanes on Harts Island Road.

Definite plans consist of the installation of the stereo sound system in the Snack Bar.

AN ACADEMIC Appeals Board will be composed of faculty and students who will hear complaints about professors and or examinations and review the cases to make final decisions concerning the cases. Board guidelines will be submitted to the administration during the end of January.

Dowling concluded, "Two months ago I was President prottempore. It is going to take a lot of adjusting but I believe that I will be an effective president and I'm sure that the senate will be a much more responsible body."



Because of Richard Dancy's resignation recently, Pat Dowling (left) is succeeding SGA president, Karen Henry was elected president prottempore and Chris Smith is vice-president. Dowling moved from president prottempore to president of the SGA in two months. (Photo: Rocky Goodwin)

Administration defeats SAB proposed fee

by GINA GORDEY

The proposed change of the Student Activities Board (SAB) to charge 25 cents to patrons of the SAB-sponsored movies has been defeated by the administration, according to Jim Harvey, SAB president.

The charge would have been initiated in the spring semester to generate more revenue back to the SAB to provide additional activities for students.

JOE SIMON, director of Student Activities, explained the reasons for the defeated request. He stated that the SAB had received a \$2,000 increase in their budget which was accorded to finance any additional programs. The budget was hiked from \$21,000 to \$23,000 for the fiscal year 1976.

Simon said that "The Chancellors' philosophy is to have as many activities as possible without charging the students a fee, and we really have adequate funds to do what we want now." He added that the students now pay a percentage of an activity fee when they register.

OTHER REASONS for the decision were that the Science Lecture Auditorium (SLA) does not have an adequate sound system, which was originally constructed for lecture purposes, and that seats were not constructed for comfort for any long periods of time.

Harvey said that the SAB considered these conditions when reaching their proposed charge of 25 cents. "Some universities charge up to \$1 for their movies," Harvey said.

DR. JIMMIE SMITH, vice chancellor of Student Affairs explained that if the change were to come about, an income amount would have to be established for the SAB. This procedure would enable the funds made by the movie prices to be placed in the University's general fund. Therefore, the

SAB would only receive more revenue through a budget increase, which has already taken place this year.

"As long as we can afford it, we want to hold all of the students' costs down," he said. He added that the University tries to adhere to this policy by not charging for catalogues, handbooks, changing and adding courses and parking fees.

HARVEY REMARKED that the SAB "was saddled with programs scheduled by last year's programs council, and the fees were only proposed to aid the SAB in bringing in more quality films." We won't be charging students now, he said but when the University Center is built the charge will probably be close to \$1 for the movies."

Other SAB plans include participating in Glamour magazine's 1977 Top Ten College Women Contest. The contest is for young women in colleges and universities throughout the country to compete in the magazine's search for ten outstanding students. The winners are chosen on the basis of their solid records of achievement in academic studies and/or extra curricular activities. The SAB will be interviewing any interested applicants in the near future and will submit LSUS's representatives in the contest.

The 1977 Top Ten College Women will be featured in Glamour's August College Issue. During April, May or June, the winners will be invited to New York to meet the Glamour staff and will receive a \$500 cash prize.



Dr. Willis P. Butler Sr. recently resigned from the office of Caddo Parish Coroner and donated his files to the LSUS Archives. Dr. Dalton Cloud, Communications Department Chairman, accepts the collection on behalf of LSUS. (Photo: Denise Allen)

Almagest reminisces

The semester is finally over and with it goes the memories of three executive resignations, a disorganized senate and the hope that next semester's president will straighten out all the problems and not be the laughing stock of the University.

Although the Student Activities Board (SAB) has stumbled across administration problems their program has surpassed all other entertainment committees.

The SGA Louisiana State Fair Booth, in cooperation with the SAU players, the Biology Department, and other campus clubs and organizations played an excellent role in the education exhibit during the fair.

A Caspiana Plantation home, the Big House, has been donated to the LSUS campus and Dr. Willis P. Butler, Caddo Parish retired Coroner, donated 54 years of files to the university's Archives.

Although a new Education Building and our Graduate Program were turned down in Baton Rouge we can still look forward to the University Center that will be constructed in the near future.

The Liberal Arts Colloquium was a success this semester. While familiarizing the students with the faculty, the subject matter, Role of Values in Higher Education, was presented by several prominent citizens outside the university.

The Almagest took on new responsibilities this semester with conflicts with Data Processing, The Business Office, and the Physical Plant, but we managed to supply the student body and faculty with fair and accurate repor-

ting. The purpose of the Almagest is to be representative of the student body, voice our opinions to stimulate thought and to offer answers concerning controversy.

The Almagest will resume publication on Jan. 17, 1977 and as in the past, we will welcome student participation and student response.

An old man in red says 'Whaz hapnin'

by GEORGE SYLVIE
Almagest Missouri Bureau

COLUMBIA, Mo. — I was opening my Christmas presents ahead of time and had just torn the wrapper off my Johnny Quagmire Think Set when an old man in a red suit creped up behind me and bellowed, "Ho, ho! Ho! Whaz hapnin'?"

Despite the fact that he had scared the living SGA out of me, I didn't show it and asked him to be seated.

crazy.' After all these years you should know that by now. Of course, I don't expect much from Almagest reporters, but . . .

WIPING THE typewriter marks from his face, he took out the same roll of toilet paper he had brought last time, though it was a little thinner. He said a lot of people were getting SCLOGITS certificates (Santa Claus Lost Our Gifts In The Snow) this year, due to cir-

get swine flu."

OTHERS mentioned and their gifts were Happy Days' Ron Howard, maturity; Daniel Schorr, a high white horse souse; Richard Nixon, a copy of the record "Was it something I said?"; da Fonz, a can of Grease Relief; and Gary Gilmore (the condemned killer in Utah), The Game of Life.

Before he left, he gave notice about what a few Shreveporters could expect. "Kay Owens will

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cumstances beyond his control. Then he read from his toilet paper list. "Jimmy Carter gets the presidency for Christmas this year." When I informed him of last month's election, his face turned marking-pencil red and he said, "Aw hell! Anything else will be like peanuts compared to that."

HE ADDED President Ford was getting a LOSE button so that he could have a matching set, in addition to a copy of the new book "Laughing All The Way To My Welfare Check" by Earl Butz.

Aside from political figures, S.C. mentioned some celebrities. "Let's see, here. Claudine Longet will get some Spider Man comic books. Tony Orlando will get some rhythm, Dawn will get some new joke writers and many people will

get a survival kit, complete with eraser, foul language dictionary, a dead-horse beater (for the SGA stories).

"MARV Stottlemire will get a ruler, so that he can prove he gives his classes everything he's got.

"Billy Lyons will get an autographed copy of Richard Nixon's upcoming novel 'Resignation—The Ins And Outs.' And Richard Dancy gets it when Bill's through reading it."

HE SURPRISED me with his last statement.

"And you, son, will get a copy of that new Missouri CB magazine, 'The Missouri Break.' Everybody needs one now and then, and so does your writing."

HO HO HO!!!

The Almagest Staff extends the seasons greetings

A Note of thanks

This is the last Almagest of the semester. Publication will resume in January.

As Editor-in-Chief, I would like to thank The Almagest, a group of hard-working students who developed into a dedicated, professional staff, of whom I'm very proud.

A special thanks goes to Gina Gordey and Denise Allen for helping me over the rough spots, working unpaid hours, and giving me encouragement that I needed to fulfill my job.

I would also like to express my deep gratitude to Dr. Robert Russell, Dr. Dalton Cloud and John Tabor for their guidance and assistance.

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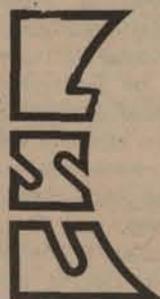
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Twas night before Finals

By PATTI KASSELMAN

"Twas the night before finals, and through the library
Not a person was stirring, and no one was merry;
The exams were locked in the cabinets with care,
In hopes that professors would please leave them there;
The students were buried all deep in their books,
Giving anyone who whispered a dirty look;
And he with his No-Doz and I with my tea,
Had sat up studying 'till a quarter past three,
When out in the mall there arose such a clatter,
I waddled from my chair, (since I'd gotten fatter).
Away to the glass doors I walked in a rush,
The handle fell off and my toe was crushed.
The glistening sun on the sidewalks below
Was as close as we got to new-fallen snow,
When I lifted my head and took a peek,
I could have sworn I saw someone streak.
It was a student-so cheerful and so fast,
I thought to myself—"he must have passed!"
Faster than pistons his legs as he came,
As he shouted his courses, each by its name;
No Physics! No English! No Microbiology!
No Speech! No Spanish! No Social Psychology!
To the middle of the garden, then down by the wall,
The next thing he knew he was there in the mall!
His eyes—they were bloodshot! His nose—how it ran!
And all over he had a Coppertone tan!
He stood there transfixed, he made not a sound,
And when I had courage, I turned around;
By then he had run, to the Snack Shack no less,
And what would be next was anyone's guess;
He was kicking and screaming, his money—he'd lost it!
Poor fellow—he wanted to buy some hot chocolate!
Then, streaking away in his argyle socks,
He cursed as he hit the gravel pit rocks.
He sprang in his car, and I heard as he hollered,
"This !+?-&! ticket will cost me two dollars!"
And as he drove off, he said with a leer,
"So long you flunkies, I graduated this year!"

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The LSUS Debate Club headed by Dr. Frank Lower, assistant professor of communications, sponsored the Red River Classic Debate Tournament recently. (Photo: Denise Allen)

Resolution 77-23—Ridiculous !

by KAY OWENS

During a recent SGA meeting the senate approved Resolution 77-23 by unanimous consent. Pat Dowling, SGA president and Delta Sig, vetoed the resolution. Submitted by Kappa Alpha's Mark Stevens, the resolution stated "SGA Senate Appeals Board be established with the power of screening possible applicants for the Senate. This screening process shall consist of seeking and researching new applicants and recommending to the president of the SGA a list of possible senators. If the President should reject this list the Appeals Board shall have the authority to submit the list to the Senate body for approval."

DOWLING SWIFTLY moved into the presidential seat this semester and has already begun organizing what seems to be an effective SGA.

Not at any time in the history of the LSUS SGA has there been three executive resignations in one semester's time and never before has a frat held the presidential post. So, Dowling is an all-time record breaker.

Commentary

JUST BECAUSE Dowling is a Delta Sig does not mean that his social life will interfere with his professional life.

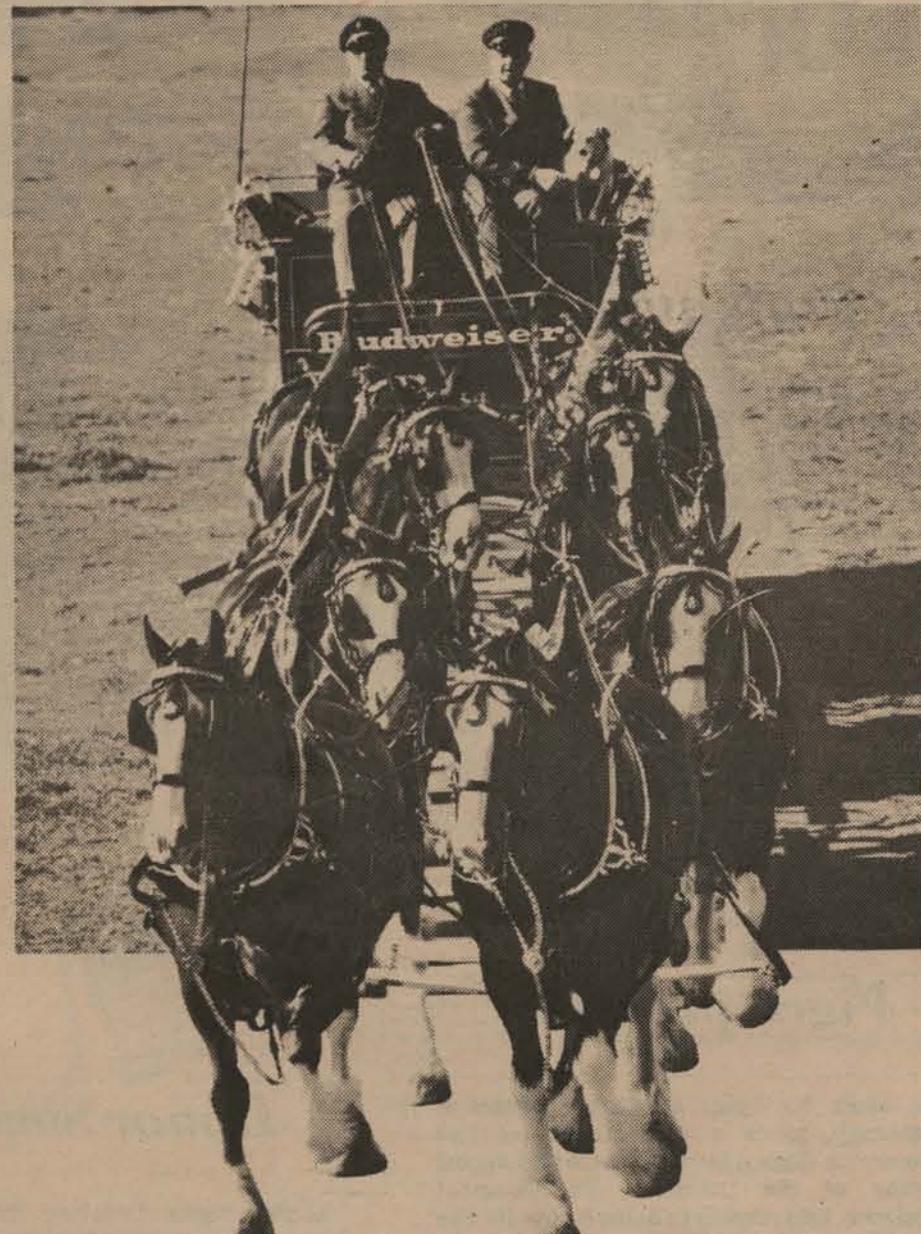
Besides, the Greeks do not even make up 7 percent of the

student body and the students are who elect the president, vice president and most of the senators. So if your favorite frat friend does not make it to the top there is no real need for alarm. In fact, the whole idea of Resolution 77-23 seems ridiculous.

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Campus Briefs

Marshman speaks

Dr. Larry Marshman, director of the Special Education Center, recently spoke to the Caddo-Bossier Association For Children with Learning Disabilities on current issues in special education.

BSU

The LSUS Baptist Student Union (BSU) invites everyone to come to the meetings on Wednesdays at noon. BSU meets at the Broadmoor Assembly of God Church building on the southwest corner of the campus. Free lunch is provided along with group worship experience. Also Bible Study is held on Mondays at noon in Bronson Hall, room 207.

SAB attends

Joe Simon, director of student activities, and four Student Activities Board members attended the Region XXI A.C.U.I. Conference at the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville.

Friday movie

The Friday movie sponsored by the Student Activities Board today is "Royal Flash" (PG). It will show at 2 and 8 p.m.

Profs attend

Eight members of the English Department attended the annual meeting of the South Central Modern Language Association, held recently in Dallas, Tex. The group included Dr. Moriece Gleason, professor of English and chairman of the department; Dr. Wilfred Guerin, professor; Dr. Z. M. Buckner, associate professor; Dr. James H. Lake, Dr. Robert C. Leitz, and Mr. David E. Lawson, assistant professors; and instructors Mrs. Patricia Bates and Mrs. Jackie Lower.

Vigen presents

Dr. Mark P. Vigen, assistant professor of psychology, made a presentation entitled "Research in Clinical Settings" to the 29th Annual Meeting of the Louisiana Psychological Association, held recently in Baton Rouge. He also addressed the First Methodist Church on the subject "Neurotic Personality Styles."

Calendar

Friday, December 3, 1976
2 and 8 p.m., "Royal Flash," SLA
10 p.m., Regular classwork ends.

Monday, December 6, 1976
Final exams begin

Tuesday, December 14, 1976
Semester ends

Saturday, December 25, 1976
Christmas Day

Saturday, January 1, 1977
New Year's Day
7 p.m., the marriage of Jim Harvey and Kathy Allen, Shreve City Baptist Church

Alumni party

John R. Tabor, director of Alumni Affairs, said there will be an informal alumni party from 8 p.m. til midnight Dec. 11 at the Quail Creek Club House. All 76 graduates are invited to attend, as well as faculty, staff, and guests. Tabor says it will be a BYOL affair, but that setups will be provided. Those planning to attend should contact him at the LSUS office of Alumni Affairs, or by telephoning extensions 313 or 315.

Tillman speaks

Todd Tillman, assistant to the chancellor, spoke recently to the Shreveport Lion's Club, on the topic "The Federal Government: Deficit, Debt, and Doubt."

Lake speaks

Dr. James H. Lake, assistant professor of English, recently spoke to the Bossier Parish Teachers of English on teaching Shakespeare in high schools.

Science meeting

Dr. Robert Benefield, assistant professor of psychology; Dr. Norman Dolch, assistant professor of sociology; and Dr. Laurence Hardy, associate professor of biological sciences, this month attended the executive council meeting of the Louisiana Academy of Science, held in Alexandria. Dr. Benefield is chairman of the behavioral science section; Dr. Dolch is chairman of the general social science section and local arrangements chairman for the 1977 meetings; and Dr. Hardy is program chairman for the 1977 meetings.

Pool tournament

The Intramurals Department has scheduled a pool tournament for Dec. 4 at the Guys and Dolls Lounge in Shreveport. It will begin at 10 a.m. Entries (along with the \$2 entry fee) should be brought to the Intramurals Department Office in Bronson Hall, rooms 130 or 142. Joe Simon said the ladder positions will be posted this afternoon.

Organization pictures

Today is the final deadline for organization pictures. A write-up will be needed from each organization.

Any organization wishing to be represented in the yearbook must make arrangements for pictures in order to be included in the Organization Section. Get in touch with Leisa Maples, 742-1859, or Carol Burns, 865-9760, or come by the Bagatelle office, Bronson Hall, room 228.

Honor Society

Alpha Sigma Omicron, the LSUS Honor Society, offers tutoring in any subject area. Call Jim Alford at 221-2438 to make arrangements.



DOM President Kevin Kelly presents the first official LSUS auto plate to Mayor Calhoun Allen. The plates are now on sale in the Bronson Hall lobby. (Photo: Shreveport Times, Photographer Langston McEachern)

To raise money

Veterans sell LSUS auto plates

A new type of auto plate is in town and Mayor Calhoun Allen was the first Shreveporter to buy one.

Stylized for LSUS, the plate is being sold by Delta Omicron Mu (DOM), the veterans society, to raise money for its "Toys For Tots" program and other community projects.

DURING A Tuesday morning

transaction in his office, Mayor Allen officially opened the plate sale by making the first purchase from Kevin Kelly, a junior and president of DOM.

Designed by Don Alexander, assistant professor of fine arts, the plastic, weather-resistant plate displays the words "LSU Shreveport" and the university's official logo—a pilot's wheel.

KELLY SAID the plates will be sold first at the Snack Bar and in Bronson Hall. They will BUY U.S. SAVINGS BONDS





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Teachers receive master degrees

Thirteen area teachers next month will receive master of education degrees from LSU Baton Rouge through a program administered at LSUS, Dr. Vincent J. Marsala, dean of the College of General Studies, announced today.

The students, who completed all course work at LSUS, will receive their degrees Dec. 21 during commencement exercises on the Baton Rouge campus. Listed by subject area, the students are:

Supervision—Carrie J. English, Marilyn B. Williams and Sharon W. Ricke, of Bossier City.

Secondary—Martha A. Allen. Administration—Patti M.

Melker, William K. Robinson and John W. Stephenson of Oil City.

Guidance—Carrie G. Belle, Patricia M. Brand and Betty S. Nelson.

Elementary Education—Elizabeth A. Bolton of Bossier City.

Reading—Carolyn L. Mercer, of Bossier City and Brenda C. Weaver, of Haughton.

The master of education program at LSUS is administered through the College of General Studies and offers degrees in elementary education, secondary education, administration, supervision, reading, and guidance and counseling.

DOM collects Toys for Tots

Delta Omicron Mu (DOM), LSUS' Veterans Club, is collecting items for Toys for Tots. Decorated boxes have been set up in the foyers of campus buildings for depositing any items contributed. The drive, already in progress, will continue through Dec. 13.

The items need not be in perfect condition and "almost anything that can be mended" will be accepted, according to Dr. Carlos Spaht, DOM sponsor. Toys constitute the majority of the donations, but clothing and

canned goods are also acceptable.

TOYS FOR Tots is a city-wide project held each year and is headed by Sister Margaret McCaffrey, coordinator of the Christmas Service Program. She personally checks each family who is to be a recipient of the gifts to ascertain their need.

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Regular classes	Date	Time
9-9 MW	Mon. Dec. 6	8-10 a.m.
8-9 MWF		
8-9 MTWTF		
9-10 MW	Wed., Dec. 8	8-10 a.m.
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9-10 MWF		
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3-4 M	Mon., Dec. 6	10:30-12:30 p.m.
1-3 MW	Wed., Dec. 8	10:30-12:30 p.m.
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2-3 F	Fri., Dec. 10	10:30-12:30 p.m.
8-9 T	Tue., Dec. 7	8-10 a.m.
8-9:30 TTH		
9:30-11 TTH	Thurs., Dec. 9	8-10 a.m.
2:30-4 TTH	Tue., Dec. 7	10:30-12:30 p.m.
2-3:30 TH	Thur., Dec. 9	10:30-12:30 p.m.
11-12 T	Tue., Dec. 7	1:30-3:30 p.m.
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1. Examinations in the following laboratories will be given at the last class period: Agriculture, Biological Sciences, Chemistry and Physics.

2. Examinations in HPE activity

courses will be given at the last class period.

3. A student having three final examinations scheduled for the same day may request per-

mission in the Office of the Registrar to take only two exams on the same day.

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GREEK BEAT

by GINA GORDEY



Delta Delta Delta

Pledges of Delta Delta Delta held an exchange with members of Delta Sigma Phi recently. Plans for the Christmas holidays include celebrating Sleigh Bell Day and caroling in local hospitals. Members will also help decorate the tree in the Snack Bar.

Zeta Tau Alpha

Zeta Tau Alpha recently pledged Cathy Russell during open rush. The Zeta Alumnae are hosting a Mother's Christmas Tea for the benefit of all Shreveport-Bossier Zetas and their mothers. Eta Omega Chapter of ZTA will serve at the annual Toy Loan Christmas party in December.

Phi Delta Theta

Louisiana Delta Colony of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity announced the names of two recent pledges. They are: Steve Moreland and Tim Hardy. Five members of the fall's pledge class have attained colony membership. They are: Steve Branton, Terry Delasalle, Ray Kethley, Martin Sanders, and David Williams.

Alpha Phi

Members of the Epsilon Tau Chapter of Alpha Phi recently held a Thanksgiving party at the Quail Creek Apartment Club House. Holiday plans include a pledge exchange with Delta Sigma Phi and a Pre-New Years party.

Delta Sigma Phi

Joe Crews, president of the Zeta Delta chapter of Delta Sigma Phi recently attended a Delta Sig Leadership Conference in Knoxville, Tenn. Crews accepted an award for the Chapter. A citation of Merit in Delta Sigs Outstanding Active contest was awarded to Stuart Pitts.

Chi XI Zeta

Members of Chi Psi Zeta held a party greeting other members of campus social organizations recently. XYZ wishes to thank those who were present at the function.

Panhellenic

The LSUS Panhellenic will hold a Spring Rush Jan. 9-14. Orientation will be Sunday, Jan 9 at 2 p.m. Rushees must go to orientation to continue with Rush. Any interested girls are asked to contact Pam Allen, 636-7168.

A Greek Christmas Tree will be in the Snack Bar. Anyone may contribute gifts to be placed under the tree which will be taken to a Nursing Home during the Christmas Holidays.

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Television replaces annual Turkey Day celebration

by ELMER NEUTZLING

Never again, I promised myself, will my wife have to slave like she has the past two days to serve one meal. Beginning on Thanksgiving eve, she has stopped only for a few brief hours of sleep.

Cooking this, baking that, she has made wonderful smells emanate from the kitchen. Smells which have infested every corner of the house, have hammered home my terrific sense of guilt.

BUT THEN, the stupid parades over, it was kick-off time, and Dallas jumped right off to a good start over St. Louis.

From the refrigerator, she brought me ice-cold beer, a small platter of crackers if I was so inclined. The angelic smile on her face etched the guilt even deeper into my heart. Her silence in deference to the television condemned me. She ordered silence from her chief henchmen, the children; not to disturb the master at his sport.

AHHH, THE guilt crept into my mind, insinuating itself around my concentration. D—! An interception by St. Louis and I didn't even perceive it!

Vapors of turkey baking and hot apple pie bubbling lured my senses even further from the game. . . the meal would be ready soon. Naturally it was coming-up on half-time. If she hurried. . . but I couldn't do justice to her many hours of work in only twenty minutes.

Come on turkey, hold out for just one more hour, stall for time, make a goal-line defense! The end was nearing, however, and I knew it.

She then pulled the ultimate in depravity. Dressing our tiny daughter in her prettiest, frilliest dress, she sent her to the living room with a beer in her hand. I wanted to scream, to crawl to the kitchen on my knees, begging forgiveness. But no, I told myself, it is merely a ploy. . . she has mis-judged, and dinner is going to be ready during the third quarter.

"OUT," I commanded, pointing dramatically toward the hallway which leads to that den of iniquity, the kitchen. She, like her mother, merely smiles, ably concealing the satanic gleam beneath the soft glow of her liquid eyes.

Oh, for a knife to slit my wrists!

Third quarter beginning, and St. Louis is coming out strong. This looks like it might finally turn into a ball game.

THEN, SILENCE from the kitchen, a brief flurry of oven doors opening and closing, and I knew. Knew beyond a doubt that the Thanksgiving dinner was

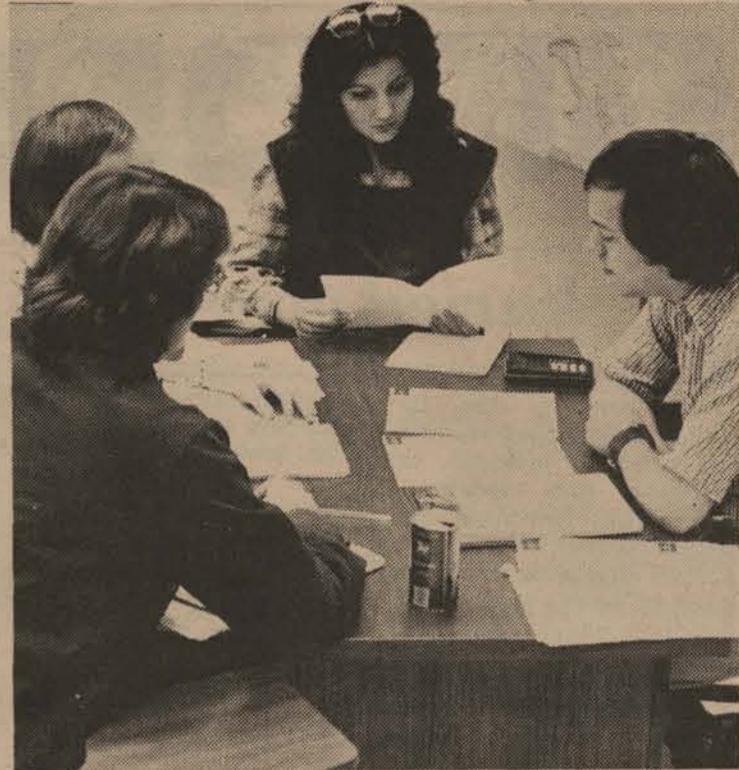
about to be served. Served during the third quarter of the most important game of the season, with Dallas apparently in trouble.

Silence from the dining room. Another ploy. . . because she knew that I knew, that dinner was ready, and was waiting to see if I would come of my own volition. Three minutes, five minutes, then she sent her minions. One 5, the other 7, dressed to the hilt, their cherubic faces agleam, they announced that the turkey was ready. I looked in shame at my dirty tee-shirt and blue jeans. I looked longingly at the television set. My God, St. Louis just scored and I didn't see it. Dallas is in trouble now!

FINALLY THE guilt won out, and I stood to begin the trudge to the bedroom to change, knowing that I wouldn't see the ending of this game which was turning into a cliff-hanger.

Resigned to my fate, I turned to leave the room, as my daughter, whispering mysteriously and satanically to my son, gleefully switched off the television set.

Next year, I shall take them all out to a nice restaurant, and be back before the game begins.



An international simulation game was conducted recently by Dr. Marvin Stottlemire's Political Science class. (Photo: Rocky Goodwin)

Alumni party scheduled

The LSUS Alumni Association will hold an informal alumni party for all LSUS faculty and staff members and December graduates Dec. 11 from 8 p.m. until midnight at the Quail Creek Club House, according to John R. Tabor, director of Alumni Affairs.

The party is BYOL but setups will be provided. Guests are also invited to attend.

Persons interested in attending should contact Tabor at the Office of Alumni Affairs, 8515 Youree Drive, or telephone 865-7121, ext. 313 or 315.

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Varied program offered

by RENEE SLETTE

Next semester the Intramurals department will offer as varied a program as available this semester. Already the department has planned several tournaments, many of which were tentatively scheduled for this semester but failed to develop, due to the lack of student interest and a shortage of time.

THE FIRST thing on the agenda is the basketball league. This is scheduled to begin January 24, and the week to sign up is the first week of the spring

semester. Already several teams have entered the league.

The bowling will continue, however the time and place are undecided. The only night Tebbe's is available for the LSUS league is Tuesday and this has caused a conflict with many of the students' schedules. The time and place will be announced as a later date.

ALSO SCHEDULED to begin this spring are the men's and women's softball league. Last year the Misfits won the men's

title. The IM Dept. is taking teams for this also and teams and individuals may sign up early by going by Bronson Hall, room 130. A copy of the rules may be picked up here also.

Other things planned for next semester are tournaments in chess, tennis, horseshoes, golf and ping pong. There will be a volleyball league also.

To participate in these activities either teams and individuals should go by the IM office and pick up copies of the rules and an application.



Pool tournament planned

The first annual LSUS Pool Championship will be held tomorrow at Guys and Dolls, according to Tommy Brown, Student Intramurals director. Several people have already

signed up for the contest, and the IM Dept. hopes the event will have a large turnout.

TODAY IS the last day for entrants to sign up but they will be allowed to sign up until 2 p.m.

There is a \$2 entry fee for all those who sign up. This is to cover the cost of using the facilities at Guys and Dolls. The fee must be in today or the contestant will be ineligible to participate in the tournament.

To sign up go by the IM Dept. in Bronson Hall, room 130 or 142 and pay your \$2. All information regarding the tourney is available on the bulletin board outside these rooms.

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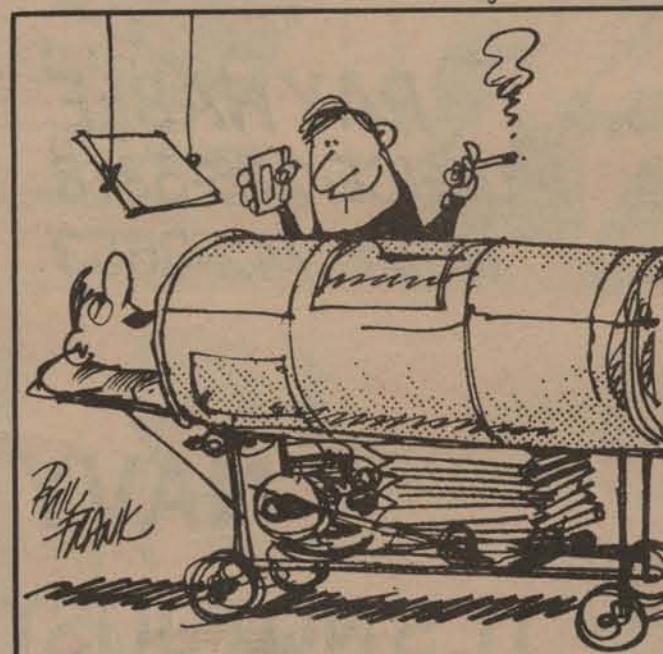
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ASHES TO ASHES

by Phil Frank



IT'S A MATTER OF LIFE AND BREATH

The IM Basketball championship playoff ended in a victory for the Misfits over Welsh's Independents. The final score 59-63. (Photo: Phil Burns)

Misfits stop Independents, win championship playoff

however, did what they could to prevent this and made the first basket of the game.

The battle waged and the two teams were up and down the court, each trying desperately to gain possession of the ball. The first half was active and both teams were awarded free throws as the players fouled each other in their attempts to get ahead. The fouls apparently were costly to some.

THE INDEPENDENTS went into the game at a disadvantage, having only six players as opposed to the Misfits' ten. There were no substitutes, each player being committed to the entire game.

At halftime the Misfits led the Independents 48-27. The Independents were getting tired and it began to show as the fouls began to mount. By the end of the third quarter, two Independents had fouled out and another lacked one foul before he was out also.

MISFIT PLAYERS began dropping out as the Independents were fouled out and the number left in the game were now three Independents and four Misfits. The Independents closed in during the fourth quarter and at one point were only two points behind the Misfits. The final score in the game was 59-63, Misfits.

Reynolds recycles

During December, the Reynolds mobile aluminum recycling unit will be making two stops in Shreveport.

According to Dave Vardell, Reynolds Aluminum's District Manager for recycling, "Last month, the citizens of Shreveport brought 3,755 pounds of aluminum to the recycling unit. For their recycling efforts, they received \$563.25 from Reynolds."

The public will receive 15 cents a pound for their clean, household aluminum every other Wednesday (Dec. 1 and 15, not Dec. 29 because of the holidays) from 2-4 p.m. at the Burnett Distributor, 1111 Burt,